

**Claims**

1. Life-saving device that comprises a storage unit (1; 101; 201), an opening (3; 203) arranged at one end of the storage unit (1; 101; 201), a rope (10; 210) attached to the storage unit (1; 101; 201), said rope (10; 210) being received inside the storage unit (1; 101; 201) when the rope (10; 210) is in inactive position, a weight (9; 207) and a floating body (7; 207), that a closed lifting loop (15; 215) is connected to the rope (10; 210) or that in the area of the end of the storage unit (101) that faces away from the opening (3) a fastening means (19) is connected to the rope (10), said fastening means (19) having a coupling function and may be detachably engaged with the rope (10), c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that a portion of the rope (10; 210) is designed as a gripping ladder (10A; 210A).
2. Device according to claim 1, c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that the gripping ladder (10A; 210A) comprises a number of loops (11; 211).
3. Device according to claims 1 or 2, c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that the storage unit (1) has elongated pockets (21) for receiving the lifting loop (15), hand that the lifting loop (15), along a portion of its length, is equipped with stiffening means.
4. Device according to claims 1 or 2, c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that the floating body/the weight body constitutes a life buoy (207), and that the storage unit (201) in inactive position is clamped in the opening of the life buoy (207).
5. Device according to any of the previous claims, c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that the lifting loop (15; 215) has a means (16; 216) that is displaceable along the lifting loop (15; 215) in order to adjust the effective length of the lifting loop (15; 215).

6. Device according to any of the previous claims,  
c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that a second loop (17) is  
connected to the lifting loop (15).
- 5 7. Device according to claim 6, c h a r a c t e r i z e d in  
that a fastening means (19) with coupling function is attached  
to the second loop (17), and that this fastening means (19)  
can be brought to a detachable engagement with the rope (10).
- 10 8. Device according to claims 6 or 7,  
c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that the storage unit (1; 101)  
has a pocket (20) for the fastening means (19).
9. Device according to any of the previous claims,  
15 c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that the weight (9; 207) is  
integrated with the floating body (7; 207).
10. Device according to claims 2 or 3 or 5-9,  
c h a r a c t e r i z e d in that the first loop (13)/the  
20 rope portion (206) is covered with a material that protects  
against sunlight/ultraviolet radiation.